

ELIZABETH AMELIA JONES RUSSON

Lehi Centennial History 1850-1950

Elizabeth Amelia Jones Russon, daughter of John Markland and Elizabeth Smith Mulliner Jones, was born March 11, 1856, in Salt Lake City. Her parents were Utah Pioneers.

When Amelia was twelve, her mother died. Then she entered the home of President John Taylor where she attended a private family school. In those days this education was a decided advantage.

She came to Lehi in 1875, and made her home with her sister, Kate Allred. During the next two years, she taught school in the Ross School.

February 1, 1877, she was married to Thomas Russon and their home was always in Lehi. She was the mother of four sons and five daughters, all of whom grew to maturity. In addition to the nine children one nephew, John Jones, was mothered by this good woman.

Amelia was baptized at the age of eight and was always a devoted church worker. For 22 years she served in the presidency of the Lehi Fourth Ward Relief Society, and for 25 years on the Old Folks Committee. In her labors, no one ever heard her complain. She had a most pleasing disposition, was wise and discreet in her judgment, and was always a peace maker.

She passed away at her home May 10, 1926, leaving her husband and the following children: Thomas J., John, Lott A., Amy R. Manwaring, Lunetta R. Chugg, Myrtle R. Holbrook, Samuel, Rosella R., Clark, and Florence R. Mitchell.